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In re Application of :  
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Application No. 10/666,542 : **DECISION ON PETITION**  
Filed: September 19, 2003 :  
Attorney Docket No. TRQ-12923 :

This is a decision on the petition under the unintentional provisions of 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed November 24, 2009, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

This application became abandoned for failure to reply in a timely manner to the final Office action mailed May 12, 2009. No extensions of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) were obtained. Accordingly, this application became abandoned on August 13, 2009.

The petition satisfies the requirements of 37 CFR 1.137(b) in that petitioner has supplied (1) the reply in the form of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and fee of \$810.00 and the submission required by 37 CFR 1.114; (2) the petition fee of \$1,620.00; and (3) a proper statement of unintentional delay.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-7751.

This matter is being referred to Technology Center 2815 for processing of the Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR 1.114 and the Amendment filed with the instant petition.

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